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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

LIBRARIAN OF THE STATE LIBRARY.

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*To the President of the Senate :*—

SIR,—In compliance with the provisions of the act of April 28, 1849, I have the honor to transmit to you, to be laid before the Legislature, the Annual Report on the State Library, for the year 1851.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

BARNAS SEARS, *Librarian.*

STATE LIBRARY, }  
January 20, 1852. }

By an act of April 9, 1850, the State Library was placed under the management and control of three trustees, to be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, and to hold their offices three years. The trustees were to exercise all the powers and duties in regard to the library, which had been previously exercised and performed by the joint standing committee of the Legislature on the library.

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*Trustees of the State Library for 1851.*

HON. JOEL GILES, Boston.

HON. CHARLES SUMNER, Boston,

GEORGE LIVERMORE, Esq., Cambridge.

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*Joint Standing Committee of the Legislature on the Library for 1851.*

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| FREDERICK ROBINSON, Marblehead,          |                  |

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| MESSRS. LEONARD M. PARKER, Shirley, | } of the House. |
| LUKE EARLE, Greenwich,              |                 |
| JOHN S. SLEEPER, Roxbury,           |                 |

MESSRS. SEARS, of the Senate, and SLEEPER, of the House, having resigned their seats in the Legislature, MESSRS. WILLIAM HYDE, of Ware, and SAMUEL H. WALLEY, of Roxbury, were appointed to fill their places respectively on the committee.

BARNAS SEARS, *Librarian.*

SAMUEL C. JACKSON, *Assist. Librarian.*

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

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*To the Honorable Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts :*

The Librarian of the State Library, in pursuance of an act of April 28, 1849, presents to the Legislature the following as his ANNUAL REPORT.

### ADDITIONS TO THE STATE LIBRARY IN 1851.

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| American Journal of Science and the Arts. Conducted by Professors B. Silliman, B. Silliman, Jr., and James D. Dana, aided by Dr. W. Gibbs. Second Series. New Haven, 1851, . . . . . | 2        |
| North American Review. Boston, 1851, . . . . .   | 2        |
| Reports of Cases argued and adjudged in the Supreme Court of the United States. By Benjamin C. Howard. Vol. 9. Boston, 1851, . . . . .   | 1        |
| Acts and Laws of His Majesty's Province of New Hampshire, 1696-1774. Portsmouth, 1771-4, . . . . .   | 1        |
| Acts and Laws of the Colony of New Hampshire, 1776-1780. Exeter, 1780, . . . . .   | 1        |
| History of Rehoboth, Seekonk and Pawtucket, with Sketches of Attleborough, Cumberland, Swanzey, and Barrington. By Leonard Bliss, Jr. Boston, 1836, . . . . .                        | 1        |
| Bi-centennial Book of Malden, containing the Oration and Poem delivered on the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the incorporation of the town, May 23, 1849. Boston, 1850, . . . . .     | 1        |
| News from New England. By a Factor of New England. London, 1676. Boston, 1850, . . . . .   | 1        |



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| Sketches of Martha's Vineyard and other Reminiscences. By an inexperienced Clergyman. Boston, 1838, . . . . .   | 1  |
| History of Danvers from its early settlement to 1848. By J. W. Hanson. 1848, . . . . .  | 1  |
| History of Haverhill. By B. L. Mirrick, Haverhill, 1832.  |    |
| History of Natick, from the days of the Apostolic Eliot, 1650 to 1830. By William Bigelow. 1830, . . . . .  | 1  |
| History of the Old South Church in Boston, in four sermons. By B. B. Wisner. Boston, 1830, . . . . .  | 1  |
| Historical Discourse delivered at West Brookfield, November 27, 1828. By Joseph T. Foot. 1843, . . . . .  | 1  |
| Journals of Rev. Thomas Smith and Rev. Samuel Deane, with Notes and Biographical Notices, and a Summary History of Portland. By William Willis. Portland, 1849, . . . . .   | 1  |
| New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Published under the direction of the New England Genealogical Society. 1847-8-9-50. Boston, . . . . .   | 4  |
| History of Duxbury, with Genealogical Registers. By J. Winsor. Boston, 1849, . . . . .  | 1  |
| History of Boston, with some account of its Environs. By Caleb H. Snow, M. D. 2d edition. Boston, 1828, . . . . .   | 1  |
| Fruits of America, No. 11. By C. M. Hovey, Boston.  |    |
| Westminster Review. American edition. 1851, . . . . .   | 2  |
| Edinburg Review. American edition. 1851, . . . . .  | 2  |
| North British Review. American edition. 1851, . . . . .   | 2  |
| Reports of Cases argued and determined in the Circuit Court of the United States. First Circuit. By John Gallison, 2 vols., 2d edition, Boston, 1845; by William P. Mason, 5 vols., 2d edition, Boston, 1836; by Charles Sumner, 3 vols., Boston, 1848; by William W. Story, 3 vols., Boston, 1842; by Charles L. Woodbury and George Minot, 2 vols., Boston, 1847, . . . . . | 15 |
| State Trials of the United States during the Administrations of Washington and Adams, with references, historical and professional. By Francis Wharton. Philadelphia, 1849, . . . . .   | 1  |

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| Digest of the Decisions of the Courts of Common Law and Admiralty in the United States. One volume by Theron Metcalf and Jonathan C. Perkins; 2 volumes by George T. Curtis; Supplement by John P. Putnam, in 2 volumes; Table of Cases, in one volume, by George P. Sanger; and an Annual Digest for 1847-8-9, in 3 volumes, by John P. Putnam. Boston, . . . . . | 9 |
| European Agriculture and Rural Economy, from personal observation. By Henry Colman. 2 vols. 2d edition. Boston, 1849, . . . . .  | 2 |
| Commercial Tariffs and Regulations of the several States of Europe and America. Part 15th. United States. By John Macgregor. Parliamentary Report. London, 1846, . . . . .   | 1 |
| A Summary of the Law of Railways, with an Appendix. By Frederick Walford. 2d edition. Boston, 1850, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Works of John Adams, Second President of the United States, with a Life of the Author, Notes and Illustrations. By his Grandson, Charles Francis Adams. Vols. 3, 4, 5. Boston, 1851, . . . . .   | 3 |
| History of the Town of Union, in the county of Lincoln, Maine, to the middle of the nineteenth century, with a Family Register. By John L. Sibley. Boston, 1851, . . . . .   | 1 |
| Concordance to the Holy Scriptures. By Alexander Cruden. Boston, 1851, . . . . .   | 1 |
| American Loyalists, or Biographical Sketches of adherents to the British Crown in the War of the Revolution, Alphabetically arranged, with a Historical Essay. By Lorenzo Sabine. Boston, 1847, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Act to amend some of the Proceedings, Practice and Rules of Evidence of the Courts of this Commonwealth, passed by the General Court of Massachusetts, 1851, accompanied with Notes, &c., with an Appendix. By Junius Hall. Boston, 1851, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Magazine of Horticulture, Botany, &c. By C. M. Hovey. Boston, 1851, . . . . .  | 1 |

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| The Debates and Proceedings in the Congress of the United States, with an Appendix containing important State Papers and Public Documents, and all the Laws of a public nature, compiled from authentic materials, 1789 to 1797, inclusive. Washington, .                             | 6     |
| Journal of the Senate of the United States, 1st session, 31st Congress, 1849-50, 2 copies, .  | 2     |
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| Senate Documents, 1st sess., 31st Cong., 1849-50, 2 cop.,   | 24    |
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| Senate Reports, " " " "   | 2     |
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| Executive Documents, 1st sess., 31st Cong., " "   | 28    |
| Plates to Magnetic and Meteorological Observations, Girard College, Philadelphia, 1840-45, being a Supplement to volumes 4, 5 and 6 of Senate Documents, 2d session, 28th Congress, 1844-5, .   | 1     |
| Report of the Commissioner of Patents for 1850. Part 1st. Arts and Manufactures. 31st Congress, 2d session, .   | 1     |
| Do. Part 2d. Agriculture. 31st Congress, 2d session, .  | 1     |
| American Archives, 5th series, containing a Documentary History of the United States of America, from the Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776, to the Definitive Treaty of Peace with Great Britain, September 3, 1783. By Peter Force. Vol. 2, (2 copies.) Washington, 1851, . | 2     |
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*Laws, Journals, &c., of the States and Territories.*

MAINE.

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| Acts and Resolves passed by the 30th Legislature of the State of Maine, 1850. Augusta, 1850, 2 copies, . | 2 |
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| Reports of Cases in Law and Equity, determined by the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine. Compiled from the minutes of John Shepley. Vol. 29, Hallowell, 1850; and vol. 30, Hallowell, 1851, . . . . .                                   | 2 |
| Acts and Resolves passed by the 31st Legislature of the State of Maine, 1851. Augusta, 1851. 2 copies, . . . . .  | 2 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE.  |   |
| Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire. June Session, 1850, and June Session, 1851. Concord, 1850, 1851, . . . . .   | 2 |
| Laws of the State of New Hampshire, passed June Session, 1851. Concord, 1851. 3 copies, . . . . .   | 3 |
| Reports of Cases in the Superior Court of Judicature of New Hampshire. Vol. 14. Second series, vol. 2. Concord, 1851, . . . . .   | 1 |
| RHODE ISLAND.   |   |
| Acts and Resolves of the General Assembly of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations. August Session, 1850, 1 copy; October Session, 1850, 2 copies; June Session, 1851, 3 copies; May Session, 1851, 2 copies. Providence, . . . . . | 8 |
| Public Laws of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, passed at the Sessions of the General Assembly, from October, 1848, to January, 1851, inclusive. Providence, 1851, . . . . .                                     | 3 |
| Acts relating to the Public Schools of Rhode Island, with Remarks and Forms, consolidated and revised, June, 1851. Providence, 1851, . . . . .  | 3 |
| CONNECTICUT.  |   |
| Resolves and Private Acts of the State of Connecticut, passed at May Sessions, 1837-42, inclusive, Hartford, . . . . .  | 6 |
| Public Acts of the State of Connecticut, May Session, 1851. Hartford, 1851, . . . . .   | 3 |
| Resolutions and Private Acts of the State of Connecticut, May Session, 1851. Hartford, 1851, . . . . .  | 3 |
| Reports of Cases argued and determined in the Supreme Court of Errors of the State of Connecticut. By Thomas Day. Vol. 20. Hartford, 1851, . . . . .  | 1 |

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| Revised Statutes of the State of Connecticut. 2 copies.  |   |
| Hartford, 1849, . . . . .  | 2 |
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| Acts and Resolves passed by the Legislature of the State of Vermont. October Session, 1850. Montpelier, 1850, . . . . .  | 3 |
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| Reports of Cases argued and determined in the Supreme Court of the State of Vermont. Vol. 21. New Series. By Peter T. Washburn. Vol. 6, 1850. Woodstock, 1850, . . . . .                                 | 1 |
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| Reports of Cases argued and determined in the Court of Appeals of the State of New York. By George F. Comstock. Vol. 2. Albany, 1851, . . . . .  | 1 |
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| Palæontology of the State of New York, containing  |   |



Descriptions of the Organic Remains of the lower division of the New York System. By James Hall.

1 vol. 4to. Albany, 1847, . . . . . 1

#### PENNSYLVANIA.

Laws of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, passed at the Session of 1851, with an Appendix. Harrisburg, 1851, . . . . . 1

#### OHIO.

Acts of a General Nature, passed by the 49th General Assembly of the State of Ohio, begun and held in the City of Columbus, December 2, 1850. Vol. 49. Columbus, 1851, . . . . . 1

Reports of Cases argued and determined in the Supreme Court of the State of Ohio, in Bank. By Hiram Griswold. Vol. 19. Columbus, 1851, . . . . . 1

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Acts of the 75th Legislature of the State of New Jersey, and 7th session under the new constitution. Trenton, 1851, . . . . . 2

Reports of Cases determined in the Court of Chancery, and in the Prerogative Court, and on appeal in the Court of Errors and Appeals of the State of New Jersey. By George B. Halsted. Vol. 2. Newark, 1851, . . . . . 1

#### DELAWARE.

Laws of the State of Delaware, passed at a Session of the General Assembly, 1851. Wilmington, 1851, . . . . . 1

#### NORTH CAROLINA.

Laws of the State of North Carolina, passed by the General Assembly, Session of 1850-1. Raleigh, 1851, . . . . . 1

Reports of Cases at Law, argued and determined in the Supreme Court of North Carolina. From August term, 1849, to December term, 1849. By James Iredell. Vol. 10. Raleigh, 1850. From June term, 1850, to December term, 1850, inclusive. By James Iredell. Vol. 11. Raleigh, 1851, . . . . . 2

Reports of Cases in Equity, argued and determined in

the Supreme Court of North Carolina. From June term, 1849, to June term, 1850. By James Iredell. Vol. 6. Raleigh, 1850, . . . . .

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## SOUTH CAROLINA.

Acts, Reports, Resolutions and Journals of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, 1850. Columbia, 1850, . . . . .

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Reports of Cases argued and determined in the Supreme Courts of Appeal and Errors of the State of South Carolina, on appeal from the courts of law. By James A. Strobhart. Vol. 3. May term, 1848, to May, 1849, inclusive. Columbia, 1849, . . . . .

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Do. November term, 1849, and January term, 1850. Vol. 4. Columbia, 1850, . . . . .

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Do. May term, 1850. Vol. 5. Columbia, 1851, . . . . .

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Reports of Cases in Equity, argued and determined in the Court of Appeals, and in the Court of Errors of South Carolina, 1849. By James A. Strobhart. Vol. 3. Columbia, 1850, . . . . .

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Do. January and May terms, 1850. Vol. 4. Columbia, 1851, . . . . .

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## MISSISSIPPI.

Reports of Cases argued and determined in the High Court of Appeals for the State of Mississippi. By W. C. Smedes and T. A. Marshall. Vol. 14, with a General Index. Boston, 1851, . . . . .

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Do. Vol. 13. Boston, 1850, . . . . .

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## FLORIDA.

Acts and Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of Florida, passed at its 5th session, November, 1850, to January, 1851. Tallahassee, 1851, . . . . .

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Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Florida, at its 5th session, begun and held in the City of Tallahassee, November 25, 1850. Tallahassee, 1851, . . . . .

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Reports of Cases argued and adjudged in the Supreme Court of Florida, January term, 1851. Part of Vol. 4th. By David B. Hogue. Tallahassee, 1851, . . . . .

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## TEXAS.

- Laws of the 3d Legislature of the State of Texas, 1st session, November, 1849—February, 1850; 2d session, August, 1850—September, 1850; 3d session, November, 1850—December, 1850. Vol. 3. Austin, 1851, 1
- Reports of Cases argued and determined in the Supreme Court of the State of Texas. December term, 1847. By J. Webb and T. H. Duval. Vol. 2. Galveston, 1849, . . . . . 1

## KENTUCKY.

- Reports of Cases at Common Law and in Equity, decided in the Court of Appeals of Kentucky. By Ben. Monroe. Summer term, 1849, winter term, 1850. Vol. 10. Frankfort, 1850, . . . . . 1

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- General Laws of Indiana, passed at the 35th session of the General Assembly. Indianapolis, 1851, . . . . . 2
- Constitution of the State of Indiana, and the Address of the Constitutional Convention. New Albany, 1851, 1
- Documents of the General Assembly of Indiana, 35th session, commencing December 30, 1850. Parts 1 and 2. Indianapolis, 1851, . . . . . 1

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- Laws of the State of Illinois, passed by the 16th General Assembly, second session, commencing October 22, 1849. General Laws passed by the 17th General Assembly, at the session commencing January 6, 1851. Private Laws, passed at the 1st session of the 17th General Assembly, begun and held at the city of Springfield, January 6, 1851. Springfield, 1851. 3 copies, . . . . . 3
- Reports of Cases, determined in the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois. November term, 1849, to June term, 1850, inclusive. By E. Peck. Volume 11. Springfield, 1850, . . . . . 1
- Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives of the 16th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, 2d session, 1849; 17th session, 1851. Springfield, 1849, 1851, . . . . . 2



## MISSOURI.

- Laws of the State of Missouri, passed at the session of the 16th General Assembly, begun and held at the city of Jefferson, December 30, 1850, to which are prefixed the Constitution of the State, &c. City of Jefferson, 1851. 3 copies, . . . . . 3

## MICHIGAN.

- Acts of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, passed at the annual and extra sessions of 1851, with the Revised Constitution and an Appendix. Lansing, 1851, . . . . . 1

## ARKANSAS.

- Acts passed at the 8th session of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, November 4, 1850—January 13, 1851. Little Rock, 1851, . . . . . 2

## IOWA.

- Acts, Resolutions and Memorials, passed at the regular session of the General Assembly of Iowa, convened at Iowa City, December 2, 1850. Iowa City, 1851, . . . . . 2
- Code of Iowa, passed at the session of the General Assembly of 1850-1, and approved February 5, 1851. Iowa City, 1851, . . . . . 2
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- Acts and Resolves, passed by the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin, 1851. Kenosha, 1851, . . . . . 2
- Reports of Cases argued and determined in the Supreme Court of the State of Wisconsin. By Daniel H. Chandler. Vols. 1 and 2. Milwaukee, 1850, . . . . . 2

## MINNESOTA.

- Acts, Joint Resolutions and Memorials, passed by the 1st Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, 1849. Saint Paul, 1850, . . . . . 1
- Journal of the Council of the Territory of Minnesota, 1849. Saint Paul, 1850, . . . . . 1

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| Journal of the House of Representatives, 1st session of<br>the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minne-<br>sota, 1849. Saint Paul, 1850, . . . . . | 1         |
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| Report of the Joint Library Committee of the Legisla-<br>ture of New York, on the subject of International<br>Exchanges. 1847, . . . . .              | 1 |
| Report of the Second Auditor of Kentucky, for the<br>year ending October 10, 1850, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Annual Report of the State Engineer of New York, on<br>Railroad Statistics. 1851, . . . . .   | 5 |
| Annual Report of the Trustees of the State Library of<br>New York. 1851, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Journal of the Constitutional Convention holden at<br>Montpelier, agreeably to the Ordinance of the Coun-<br>cil of Censors. 1850, . . . . .          | 1 |
| Annual Report of the Auditor of Accounts of the State<br>of Vermont, made to the Legislature, October 10,<br>1850, . . . . .                          | 1 |
| Catalogue of the Vermont State Library. 1850, . . . . .   | 1 |
| An Address before the Vermont Historical Society and<br>both Houses of the General Assembly. By Daniel<br>P. Thompson, 1850, . . . . .                | 1 |
| Abstract exhibiting the condition of the Banks of Rhode<br>Island. 1849-50, . . . . .   | 3 |
| Sixty-fourth Annual Report of the Regents of the Uni-<br>versity of New York, March 1, 1851, . . . . .  | 1 |
| An Inquiry into the alleged tendency of the Separation<br>of Convicts to produce Disease and Derangement.<br>By a Citizen of Pennsylvania, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Notices of Public Libraries in the United States. By<br>Charles C. Jewett, Librarian of the Smithsonian In-<br>stitution. Washington, 1851, . . . . . | 1 |

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| Third Annual Report of the President of the Indianapolis and Bellefontaine Railroad Company. 1851, .   | 1 |
| Circular from the Indiana State Board of Agriculture, 1851, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Exhibit of the Financial Condition and Business prospects of the Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company. 1851, . . . . .   | 1 |
| Eighth Annual Report of the President of the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad Company to the Directors and Stockholders. 1851, . . . . .  | 1 |
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| Annual Report of the Treasurer of the State of Indiana, to the General Assembly, December, 1850, . . . .   | 1 |
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| Fourth Annual Report of the Trustees of the Indiana Institute for the Education of the Blind, to the General Assembly. 1850, . . . . .   | 1 |
| Address of Col. James H. Lane, on presenting to the Senate the Address of the Pupils of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum to the Legislature of Indiana; also that Address. 1851, . . . . . | 1 |



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| Transactions and Collections of the American Antiquarian Society. Vol. 3, part 1. Cambridge, 1850, 2 copies. Presented by the American Antiquarian Society, . . . . .   | 2 |
| Congressional Globe, New Series, containing Sketches of the Debates and Proceedings of the 1st and 2d sessions of the 31st Congress. By John C. Rives, Washington, 1850. Presented by Hon. Robert C. Winthrop, . . . . .  | 4 |
| Constitution of the United States; the Declaration of Independence; the prominent political Acts of George Washington; Electoral Votes for all the Presidents and Vice Presidents, &c. By W. Hickey. 4th edition. Philadelphia, 1851. Presented by Hon. Robert C. Winthrop, . . . . . | 1 |
| Commerce and Navigation, Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, January 1, 1851. Washington, 1851. Presented by Hon. John Davis, . . . . .  | 1 |
| The Pennsylvania Journal of Prison Discipline and Philanthropy. Philadelphia, 1851. Presented by the Society, . . . . .   | 1 |
| Report of the Debates in the Convention of California on the Formation of the State Constitution, in September and October, 1849. By J. Ross, Browne. Washington, 1850, . . . . .   | 1 |
| Application of I. C. Tucker and others for a Charter for the Mystic River Railroad; Petition of Frederick I. Williams and others; and Speech of William Whiting, April 17, 1851. Presented by William Whiting, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Temporary Acts and Laws of His Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England. Folio. Boston, 1755. Presented by William Thomas, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge. Vol. 2, 4to. Washington, 1851. Presented by the Smithsonian Institution, . . . . .  | 1 |
| Reports of the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, with a Sketch of its History, Buildings and Organiza-  |   |

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| tion. By Thomas S. Kirkbridge. Philadelphia, 1851. Presented by the Author, . . . . .  | 1     |
| History of the United States of America, from the adoption of the Federal Constitution to the end of the 16th Congress. By Richard Hildreth. Vols. 1 and 2. New York, 1851. Presented by the Author, . . . . . | 2     |
| Charters and Ordinances of the City of Boston, and Acts of the Legislature relating to the City. Collated and Revised by Peleg W. Chandler, Boston, 1850. Presented by the City Government, . . . . .          | 1     |
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| Fourth Annual Report of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, for the year 1849, 1st session, 31st Congress. Senate Document, Miscellaneous, No. 120. Presented by Hon. Horace Mann, . . . . .      | 1 |
| Speech of William H. Seward on the Claims of American Merchants for Indemnities for French Spoliations. Delivered in the United States Senate, January 21, 1851. Presented by Hon. R. C. Winthrop, . . . . .       | 1 |
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| Speech of Mr. Truman Smith, of Connecticut, on the French Spoliation Claims, in the United States Senate, January 16 and 17, 1851. Presented by Hon. R. C. Winthrop, . . . . .                                     | 1 |
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| Senate Reports, United States, " " "  | 1        |
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| Executive Documents, " " " "  | 14       |
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| Public Laws of Rhode Island, October, 1848, to Janu-<br>ary 1851, . . . . .                     | 1        |
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| Journals of Senate and House of New Hampshire,<br>June Session, 1851, . . . . .                 | 1        |
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| Public Acts of Connecticut. May Session, 1851, .  | 1        |
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| Acts of New Jersey, 75th Legislature. 1851, . . .   | 1        |
| General Laws of Indiana, 35th Session of General As-<br>sembly, 1851, . . . . .                 | 1        |
| Laws of Illinois, 16th General Assembly, 2d Session,<br>1849, and 17th Session, 1851, . . . . . | 1        |
| Acts and Resolves of Wisconsin. 1851, . . . .   | 1        |
| Acts of Arkansas, 8th Session of General Assembly.<br>1851, . . . . .                           | 1        |
| Code of Iowa, 1851, . . . . .   | 1        |
| Acts, Resolutions and Memorials of Iowa, 3d General<br>Assembly, 1850-1, . . . . .              | 1        |
| Acts, Reports, Resolutions and Journals of South Caro-<br>lina, 1850, . . . . .                 | 1        |
| American Archives, 5th Series. Vol. 2. 1851, . .  | 1        |
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| Jan. 11,  | Paid Adams & Co. freight of Congressional Globe from Washington, . . . \$4 00                  | Jan. 1,  | By balance from ac't of 1850, . . \$49 37 |
| " 14,     | Paid S. G. Drake's bill,—  | April 21 | By annual appropriation, . . 300 00       |
|           | History of Haverhill, . . . 75   |          |   |
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|           | News from New England, . . . 75  |          |   |
|           | History of the Old South Church, . . 50  |          |   |
|           | Malden Bi-Centennial Book, . . . 63  |          |   |
|           | History of Natick, . . . . . 37  |          |   |
|           | Willis, Smith & Dean's Journal, . . 2 00   |          |   |
|           | History of Rehoboth, . . . . . 1 00  |          |   |
|           | History of Brookfield, . . . . . 25  |          |   |
|           | History of Danvers, . . . . . 1 00   |          |   |
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| " 15,     | Paid Burnham and Brother's bill,—  |          |   |
|           | Snow's History of Boston, . . . . 4 50   |          |   |
| " 18,     | Paid Hovey & Co.'s bill,—  |          |   |
|           | Fruits of America, 5 numbers, . . 10 00  |          |   |
| April 18, | Paid Crosby & Nichol's bill,—  |          |   |
|           | Foreign Reviews, . . . . . 8 00  |          |   |
| May 10,   | Paid Little & Brown's bill,—   |          |   |
|           | Reports, Circuit Court, United States, 1st Circuit, and United States Digest, . . . . . 105 00 |          |   |
|           | Howard's Reports, vol. 9, . . . . 5 00   |          |   |
|           | United States State Trials, . . . 4 00   |          |   |
|           | Commercial Tariffs, . . . . . 5 00   |          |   |
|           | Colman's Agriculture, . . . . . 4 00   |          |   |
|           | Walford on Railways, . . . . . 3 50  |          |   |
| June 9,   | Paid freight on books from Albany, &c., . . . . . 87   |          |   |
| July 5,   | Paid Little & Brown's bills,—  |          |   |
|           | Silliman's Journal, 1851, . . . . 5 00   |          |   |
|           | North American Review, . . . . 5 00  |          |   |
| " 25,     | Life and Works of John Adams, vols. 3, 4 and 5, . . . . . 6 75                                 |          |   |
| Sept. 1,  | Paid John A. Sibley's bill,—   |          |   |
|           | History of Union, Maine, . . . . 1 00  |          |   |
| " 1,      | Paid Little & Brown's bill,—   |          |   |
|           | American Almanac, 1847, . . . . 1 00   |          |   |
|           | London Quarterly Review, July, 1843, . . . . . 50  |          |   |
| " 8,      | Cruden's Concordance, . . . . . 1 25   |          |   |
|           | American Loyalists, . . . . . 2 00   |          |   |
| Dec. 15,  | Paid Hovey & Co.'s bill,—  |          |   |
|           | Magazine of Horticulture, . . . . 2 00   |          |   |
|           | Balance to new account, . . . . 145 00   |          |   |
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The foregoing account of the Commonwealth with the trustees shows an unexpended balance of the appropriation for 1851. This amount has been reserved, as it will be needed, together with a large part of the appropriation for the present year, for the purchase of the continuation of Hansard's Parliamentary Debates, which has been already imported and received. This purchase was necessary to complete the set now in the Library. The value of this expensive work, and its appropriateness to the design of the Library, will be readily appreciated by the Legislature.

A continuation of the British Statutes is also desirable. There is in the Library no compilation containing the Acts of Parliament, of a later date than the 13th of George III, 1773. The means at the disposal of the trustees, will not admit of making this addition without an increased appropriation. The expediency of a special grant for this purpose is respectfully suggested to the Legislature. The practicability of obtaining the additional British Statutes necessary to complete our set, also the future annual legislation of Parliament, by a reciprocal exchange of laws, documents and State publications, conducted through the department of State, may be worthy of consideration.

As a great, and perhaps the most important, object of this Library, is to obtain a complete collection of American and English statute law, it may be desirable to embrace, within our system of exchanges, the British provinces in America. Prominent individuals in these provinces have expressed a desire, that the several provincial legislatures of British America may share the benefits of a system so well adapted to promote mutual progress and national harmony. This suggestion derives additional importance from the improved facilities of intercourse, and the prospective increase of business and commercial relations between our Commonwealth and our provincial neighbors.

Unless further provision is made for increasing the Library, the means of making the common and ordinary additions will be extremely limited. Many valuable books, much needed for reference, and frequently sought for, cannot be purchased for several years, unless additional means are furnished.

There is still a deficiency in the journals and laws of Massa-



chusetts while a province, during the Revolution, and even during the early period of our State government. The prospect of fully supplying this deficiency is diminishing with the lapse of years. These ancient records are in constant danger of mutilation or destruction from a change of proprietors, and from falling into the hands of those who will deem them valueless and be indifferent to their preservation. Obviously this portion of our legislative history must be completed and secured to the Library soon, if ever. And it is due to ourselves and to those who are to come after us, that all reasonable efforts be made to ensure the completeness and integrity of these ancient annals of our Commonwealth. Any legislator, public officers, or private citizen, who will furnish a volume, or any fragment of a volume, containing any portion of our early legislation, may perform a valuable service for the State and for posterity.

The Library is indebted to William Thomas, Esq., of Plymouth, for a copy, as originally published, of the "Temporary Acts and Laws of His Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England," from 1736 to 1762,—a valuable donation made during the past year, which is gratefully acknowledged.

A similar acknowledgment is due to Ellis Ames, Esq., of Canton, who has taken a deep interest in the preservation and collection of the ancient journals and statutes of the Commonwealth, and who has contributed, by an exchange of duplicates, to enrich the Library in this respect.

The number of volumes added to the Library during the past year, through domestic exchanges, is larger than in any previous year. Yet the statutes of some of the states are not regularly received in return for those of Massachusetts. To procure the deficient volumes subsequently, and to preserve the legislation of each state in an unbroken series, is a matter of some difficulty, especially after the lapse of a few years. No effort will be spared in future to render this department of the Library complete.

By international exchanges an important work, *La Galerie Nationale Versailles*, has been added to the Library. It is a magnificent and costly work, in 13 volumes, folio, less appropriate to a legislative library, than to a miscellaneous collection of the



works of art and general literature. Other works have been transmitted through the agency of Mr. Vattermare to the Secretary of State, but, as a list of those intended exclusively for the State Library is not seasonably received, the donation will be embraced in the next annual report.

The librarian would repeat the suggestion made in his previous reports, that more room is much needed for the accommodation of the Library. Additional room has become an urgent necessity, which deserves the immediate attention of the Legislature. Not only are the present accommodations insufficient for the proper arrangement of the books, but the lower room is found altogether unsuitable for the purposes of a library, from its extreme dampness. During the spring and autumn, or any protracted season of damp weather, a thick mould collects upon the books from their proximity to the walls of the basement and from an underground atmosphere. From this cause the binding is defaced and decays rapidly, the paper within is saturated with moisture, the pages are discolored and become dingy from a partial transfer of the impression of opposite leaves to each other. No precautionary measures of ventilation can prevent these ruinous effects. Many of the volumes exposed to this destructive process are valuable and cannot be easily replaced.

It is, therefore, respectfully submitted to the Legislature, whether a prudent and economic regard for the interests of the Commonwealth does not call for an expenditure necessary to provide other accommodations for the State Library, which shall be both ample and suitable. The librarian recommends no method of relieving the wants of the Library in respect to room, but would refer the Legislature to a plan of enlarging the capital, presented at the last session by the Standing Committee of the House on Public Buildings, (House Document, No. 192, 1851,) which plan, if executed, would furnish suitable and sufficient library rooms, and also provide for other pressing wants of the State government.

Respectfully submitted,

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